

**P70-89. A Child's Day: 2000 (Selected Indicators of Child Well-Being)**

**Table D4. Daily Contact--Fun Time with Child and Praise for Child--Characteristics of Households and Families: 1998**

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Survey of Income and Program Participation, 1996 Panel, Wave 6.

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(Numbers in thousands)

Characteristic	Age of child			Child talked to or played with for 5 minutes or more just for fun many times per day			Child praised by parent many times per day		
	Under 6 years	6 to 11 years	12 to 17 years	Under 6 years	6 to 11 years	12 to 17 years	Under 6 years	6 to 11 years	12 to 17 years
<b>Total</b>	23,649	24,095	23,345	69.9	45.0	35.7	67.7	45.3	31.6
<b>Monthly Family Income</b>									
Under \$1,500	4,999	4,730	3,982	63.5	41.9	35.2	59.1	40.8	32.7
\$1,500 to \$2,999	5,742	8,292	5,621	68.7	44.2	36.2	67.8	47.1	31.3
\$3,000 to \$4,499	4,459	5,052	4,790	70.0	44.7	34.7	67.9	45.2	29.4
\$4,500 and over	7,888	7,596	8,594	75.3	48.4	36.3	73.5	47.4	32.4
Income not reported	560	425	357	63.8	37.3	33.7	61.7	33.7	31.0
<b>Poverty Status</b>									
Below poverty level	4,616	4,644	3,881	63.1	40.9	35.2	57.3	39.9	32.4
On or above poverty level	18,473	19,025	19,107	71.8	46.2	35.9	70.5	46.9	31.4
100 to 199 percent of poverty	5,676	6,272	5,378	67.0	44.2	35.0	66.0	45.1	29.4
200 percent of poverty or higher	12,797	12,754	13,729	74.0	47.2	36.2	72.5	47.7	32.2
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<b>Tenure</b>									
Owns home	10,173	15,560	16,369	72.4	47.2	35.7	70.1	46.9	31.7
Rents home	8,622	7,907	6,446	65.8	41.0	35.7	63.3	42.3	31.1
Other arrangements	969	628	530	71.2	43.3	36.2	72.3	44.8	34.9
<b>Region of Residence</b>									
Northeast	4,420	4,441	4,171	72.0	46.1	39.4	69.9	48.5	34.4
Midwest	5,564	5,744	5,878	72.0	45.7	32.4	69.6	43.8	28.5
South	7,931	8,161	8,160	68.7	44.7	36.2	65.7	46.4	32.2
West	5,734	5,749	5,136	68.0	44.1	35.8	67.1	42.8	31.7

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<b>Metropolitan Residence</b>									
Metropolitan	19,236	19,198	18,458	69.3	44.9	35.4	65.0	45.0	31.0
In central cities	6,934	7,242	6,648	66.2	43.0	34.6	64.1	42.9	30.9
Outside central cities	12,302	11,957	11,810	71.1	46.1	35.9	69.3	46.2	31.0
Nonmetropolitan	4,412	4,896	4,887	72.5	45.6	36.9	69.2	46.7	33.7